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Brookhaven postpones action on bar closing, serving times

Brookhaven, GA, Aug.14, 2013 – The Brookhaven City Council will hold off on making any changes to the city's alcohol ordinance as it relates to serve and close times.

The council will wait to hear a report in January from the Brookhaven Police Department that will detail license holder compliance with the current ordinance.

The current ordinance was adopted from DeKalb County states the following:

- Monday through Friday hours are from 9 a.m. until 3:55 a.m. of the following day.
- Saturday hours are from 9 a.m. until 2:55 a.m. on Sunday.
- Sunday hours are from 12:30 p.m. until 2:55 a.m. on Monday

After receiving complaints from residents, Mayor J. Max Davis and council members held an initial discussion forum in June with Brookhaven alcohol license holders. Based on feedback from that meeting, council voted to defer action to allow city staff time to gather more information.

"It's important that our new police department has ample time to collect data before any decision is made. At the end of the day, we want to draft a policy that balances and benefits the interests of all Brookhaven stakeholders," Davis said.

The city plans to hold more discussion forums with businesses and residents before voting on this matter.

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